PURGE THE BLACK BAT RELIGION!! ON SECRET ORDERS, THE CHINESE ARMY'S MOUNTAINEERS CLOSE IN ON KEVIN'S POSITION!!

MAGIC STREAM

BILLY BAT

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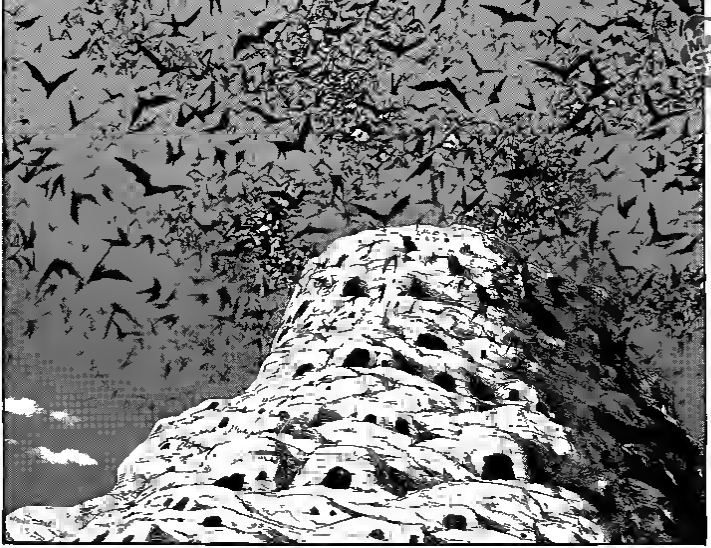
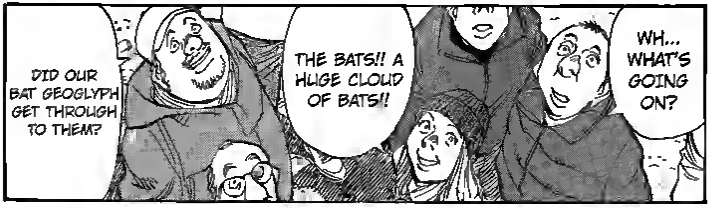
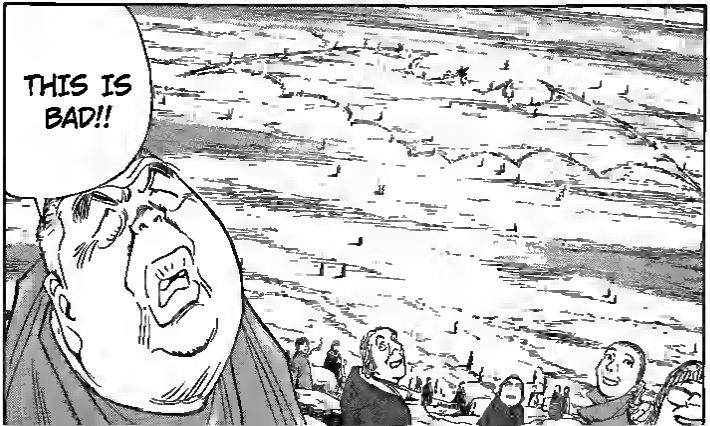



DID OUR BAT GEOGLYPH GET THROUGH TO THEM?
THE BATS!! A HUGE CLOUD OF BATS!!
WH... WHAT'S GOING ON?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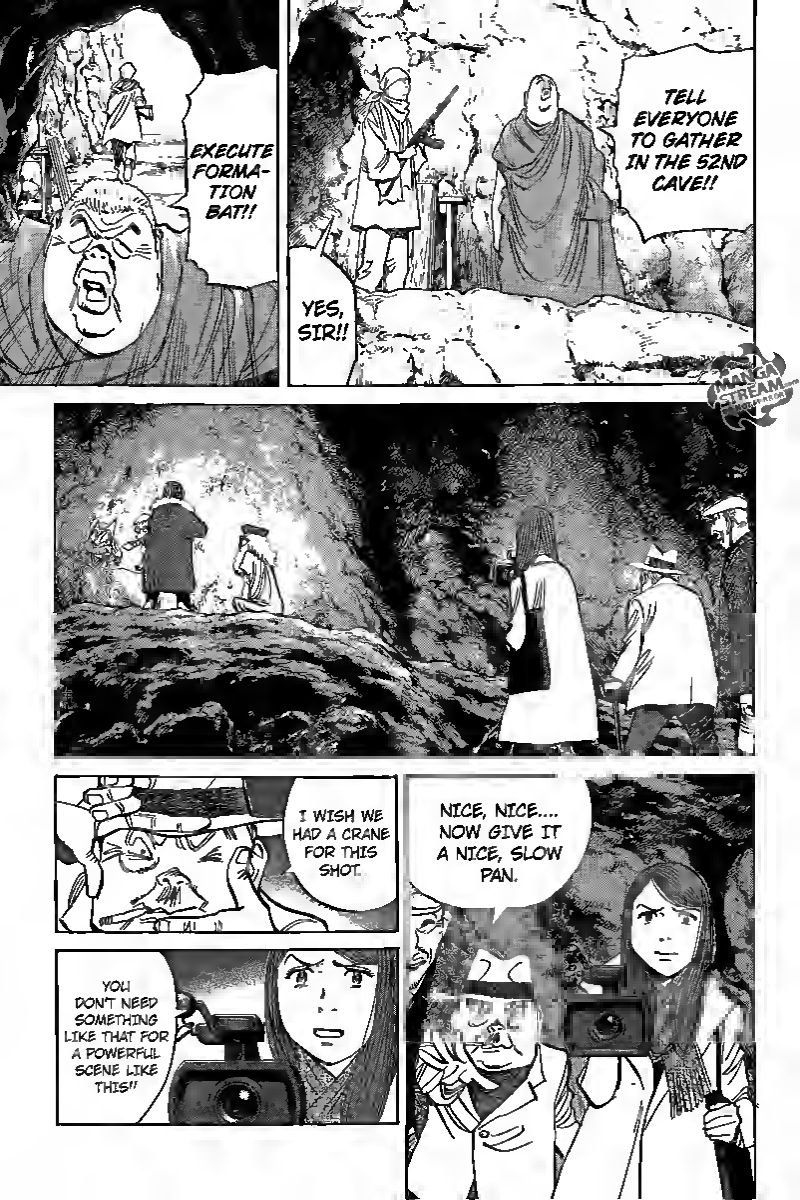
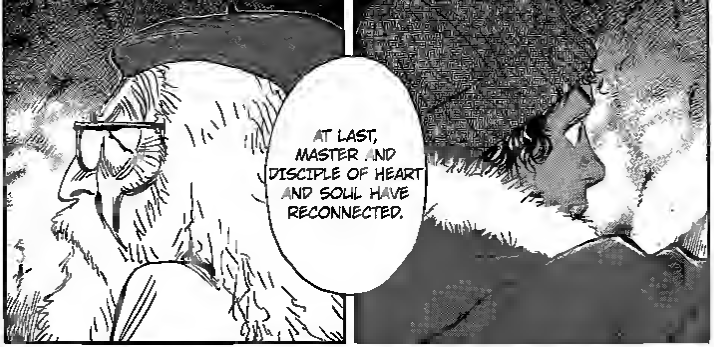

EXECUTE FORMATION BAT!!
YES, SIR!!
TELL EVERYONE TO GATHER IN THE 52ND CAVE!!
I WISH WE HAD A CRANE FOR THIS SHOT.
YOU DON'T NEED SOMETHING LIKE THAT FOR A POWERFUL SCENE LIKE THIS!!
NICE, NICE.... NOW GIVE IT A NICE, SLOW PAN.



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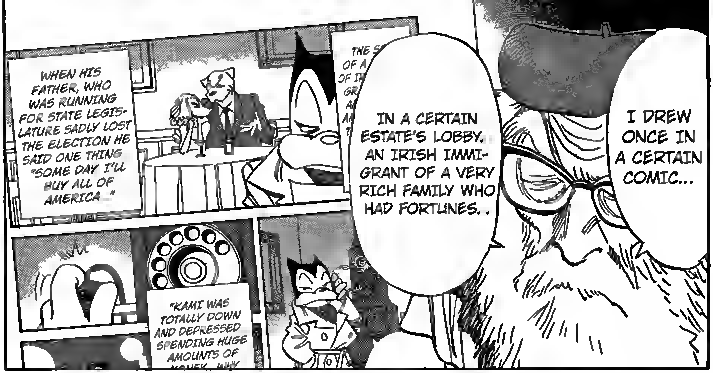
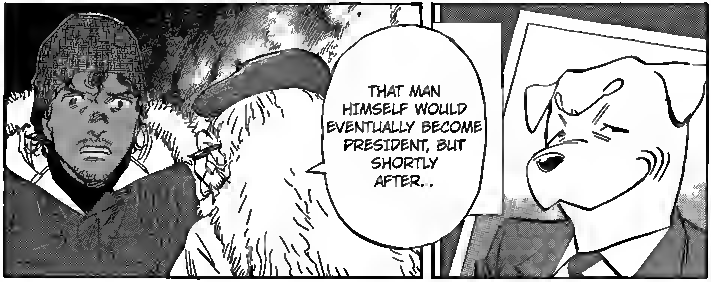
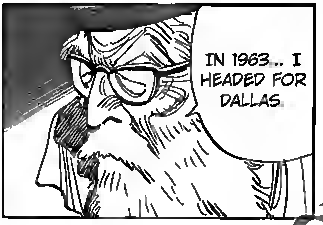
MMM.
DRAW DRAW
YOU'VE GOTTEN GOOD.
NO... I STILL CAN'T DRAW THEM LIKE YOU. YOURS ARE SO VIVID AND ALIVE.
THAT'S BECAUSE THE REAL PERFORMANCE HASN'T STARTED YET.
REAL PERFORMANCE..?
AFTER ALL, DOODLES AND SCRIBBLES ARE SIMPLY DOODLES AND SCRIBBLES
BUT ONCE YOU HAVE A REAL STORY, IT GIVES BIRTH TO REAL WORDS, AND THEN THE REAL PERFOMANCE STARTS

I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO COME UP WITH ANY STORY...
BUT FOR YEARS AND YEARS...
WHEN THAT TIME COMES, THEN BILLY WILL BEGIN TO MOVE VIVIDLY AND ALIVE.
DID THE BAT REALLY TELL YOU THE STORIES AND YOU DREW THEM?
I DON'T REMEMBER WHEN IT WAS, BUT ONE DAY THE BAT JUST STOPPED TELLING THEM TO ME...
THE BAT TOLD THEM TO YOU...?
DID THE BAT LEAD YOU TO DRAW?
YOU...
WHAT DID THE BAT DO FOR YOU?

BACK ON THAT DAY OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION...
YOU SAVED MY LIFE WHEN I WAS JUST A LITTLE BOY.
WAS IT THE BAT THAT LEAD YOU TO DO THAT?
IF YOU WEREN'T THERE, I WOULD HAVE BEEN HIT BY THE PATH OF THE BULLET AND PROBABLY WOULD HAVE DIED







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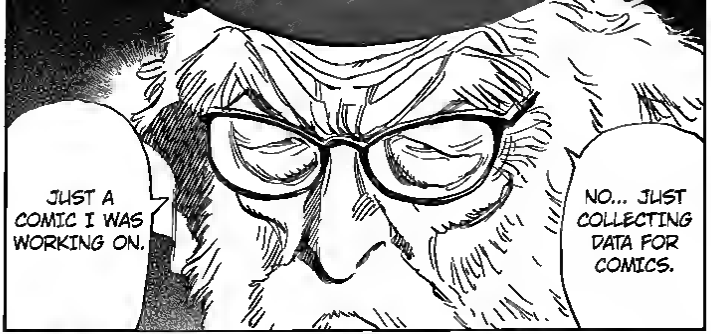

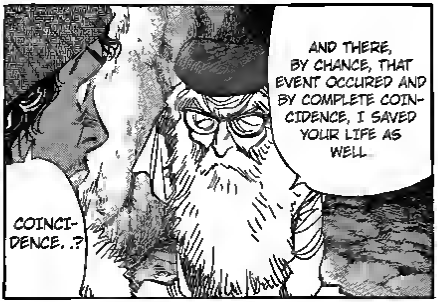

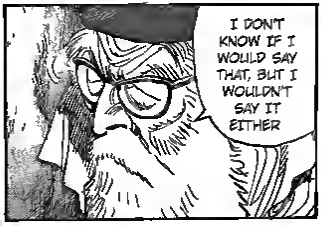

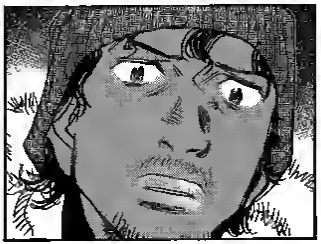

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BAD NASTY GUYS?
HAAH
THE BATS ARE ALL IN A PANIC!!
SOME REAL BAD, NASTY GUYS FROM HIGH UP ARE HEADING THIS WAY!!
HAAH
TIMMY ...?!
YOUR SUCCES-SOR SENT THEM!!
MASTER, HURRY, WE'VE GOT TO ESCAPE!
TAKE US THERE TOO!!
WE'LL RENDEZVOUS IN THE 52ND CAVE!!
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SO THEN YOU'RE JUST GOING TO GO AND LEAVE US HERE?
SLOW YOU DOWN....?
YOU WOULD ALL JUST SLOW US DOWN.
FORGET ABOUT IT!! OUR SECT HERE HAS REHEARSED THESE DISASTER DRILLS COUNTLESS TIMES FOR SITUATIONS LIKE THIS... WE'VE CREATED A VERY COMPLEX AND COMPLICATED ESCAPE ROUTE FOR THAT PURPOSE.
THEN WHAT SHOULD WE DO?!
IF YOU GUYS WHO AREN'T USED TO THE ROUTE FOLLOW US AND GET SLOWED DOWN, YOU COULD WIND UP CAUGHT IN THE EXPLOSIONS.
NO, AS WE PASS THROUGH EACH CAVE WE'LL BE BLOWING THEM UP WITH DYNAMITE TO SEAL THEM OFF.
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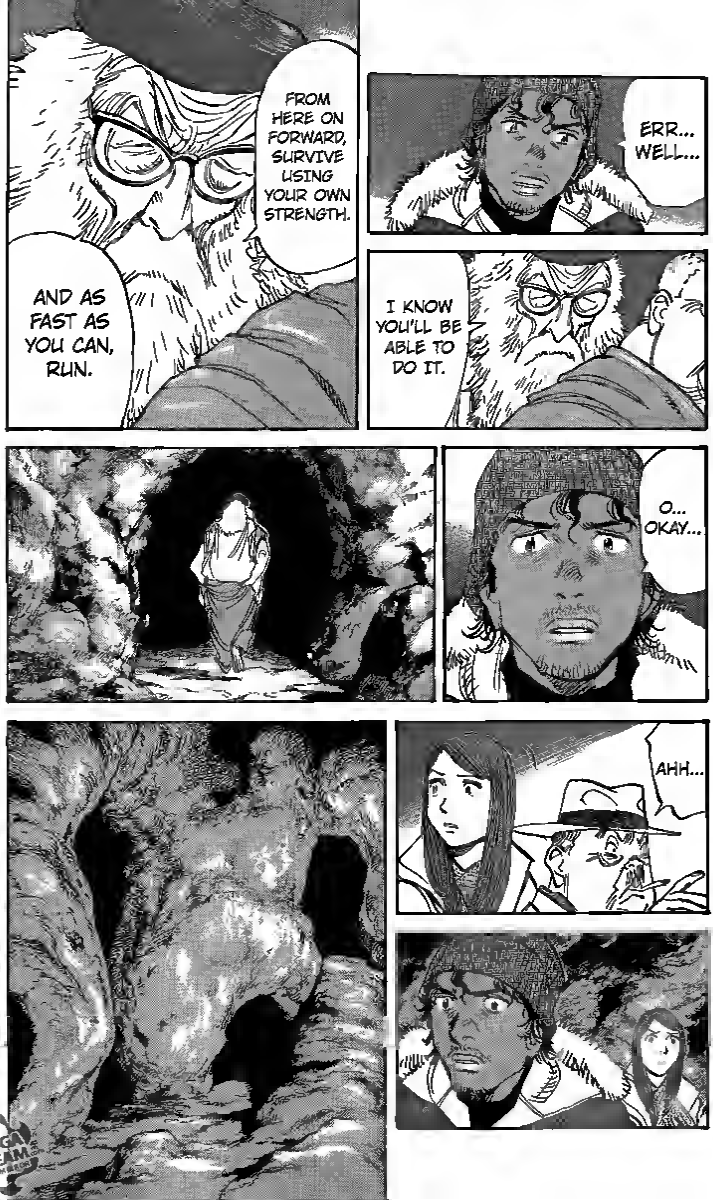
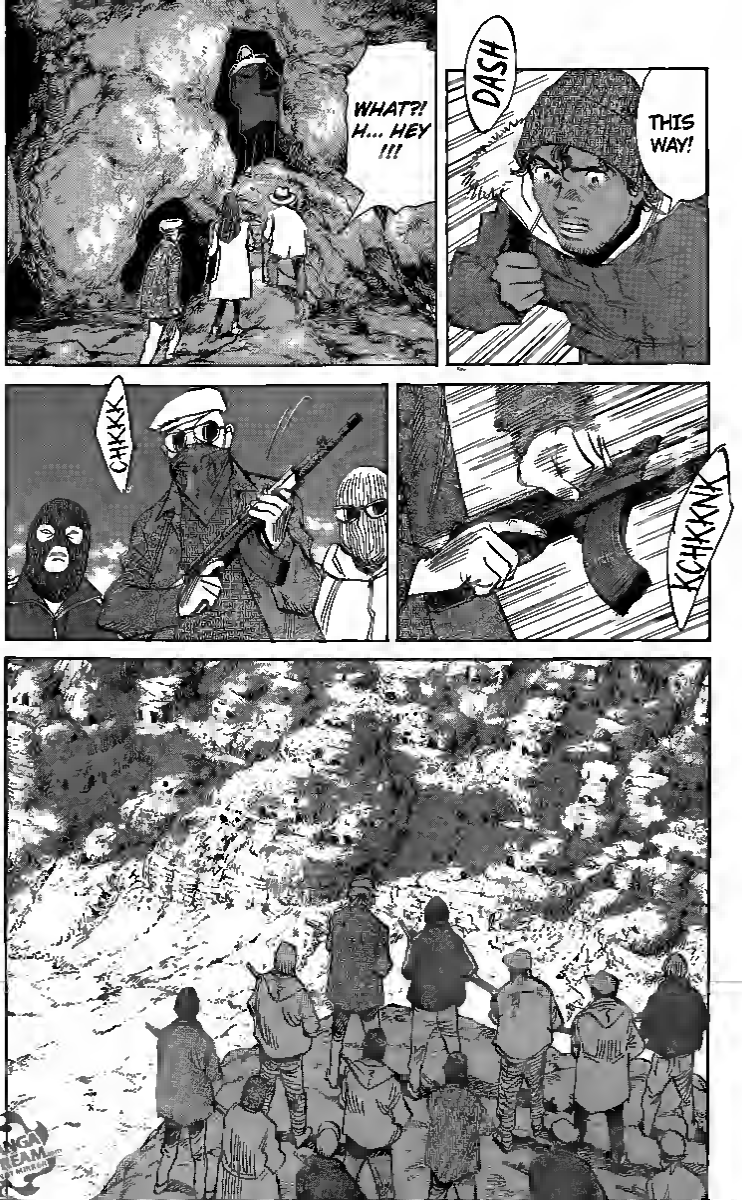
IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT ROUTE!!
GO THROUGH THOSE CAVES FURTHER IN THERE!!

JUST LEAVE IT TO KEVIN.
WHICH CAVE SHOULD WE TAKE?!
ISN'T IT LIKE WE'RE ALWAYS WALKING DOWN ONE PATH IN A DARK FOREST?
HUH ...?
I... I DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA EITHER!
HUH ...?
JUST DO WHAT WE ALWAYS DO IN OUR COMIC STUDIO.
AND WHEN THAT ONE PATH SPLITS INTO TWO SHOULD YOU GO RIGHT, OR SHOULD YOU GO LEFT?


FROM HERE ON FORWARD, SURVIVE USING YOUR OWN STRENGTH.
AND AS FAST AS YOU CAN, RUN.
ERR... WELL...
I KNOW YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO IT.
O... OKAY...
AHH...


WHAT?! H... HEY !!!
DASH
THIS WAY!
CHKKK
KCHKKNK

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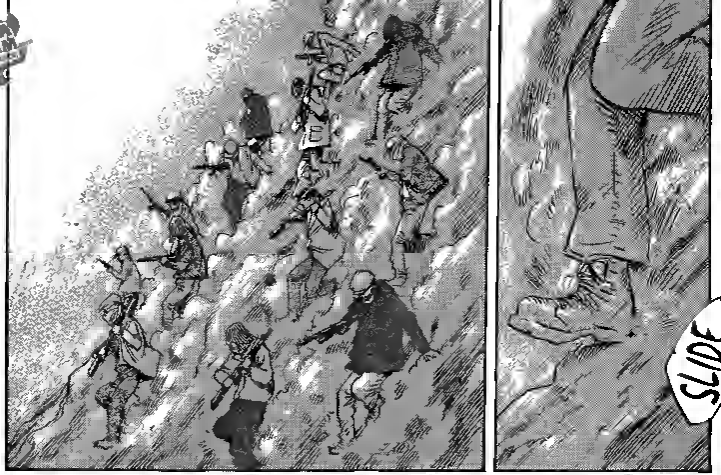

HAAH
WHICH WAY?
HAAH
I DON'T KNOW, BUT SUDDENLY, I'M REMEMBERING BACK WHEN I USED TO WRITE TONS OF STORIES ..
COME AGAIN?
I DON'T KNOW.
HOW DO YOU KNOW THIS IS THE WAY?
TESTED?
BUT I KNOW, SURELY, I'M BEING TESTED.
LIKE A SUDDEN FLASH OF INSIGHT ...?
I DON'T KNOW.
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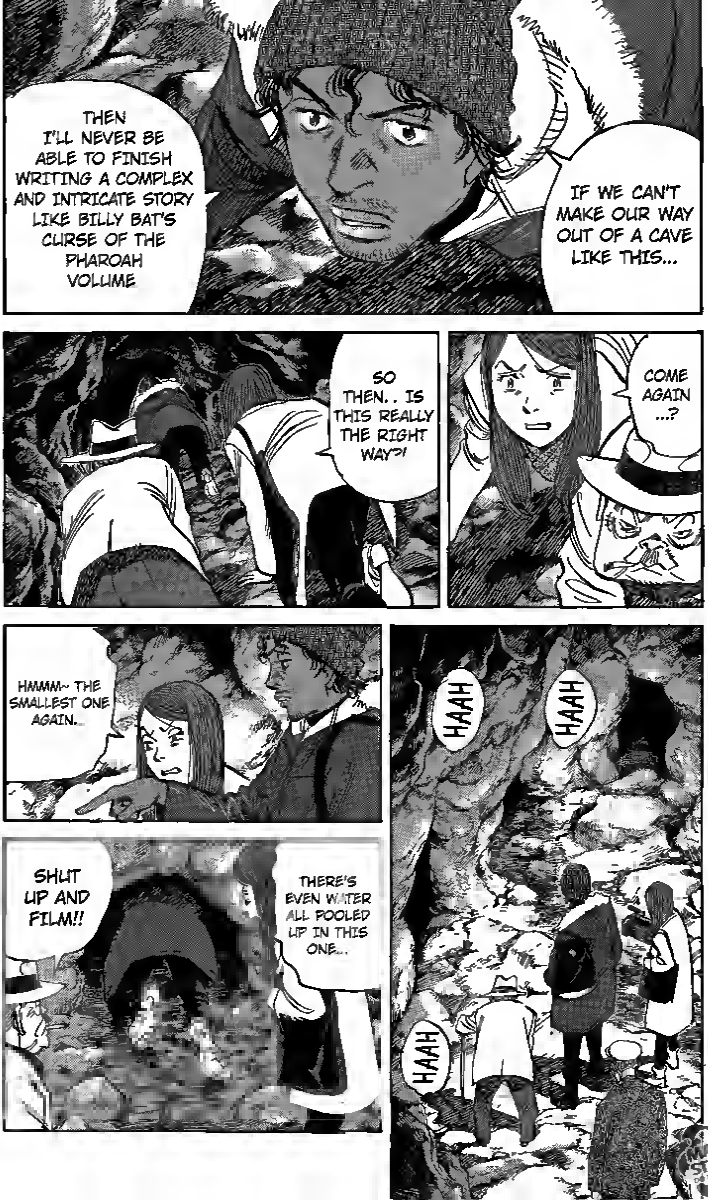
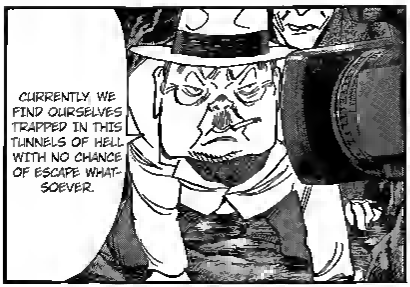
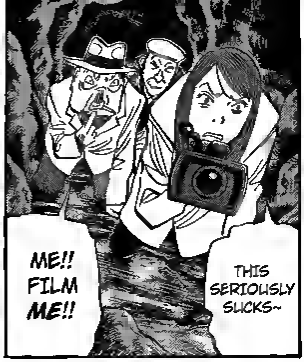
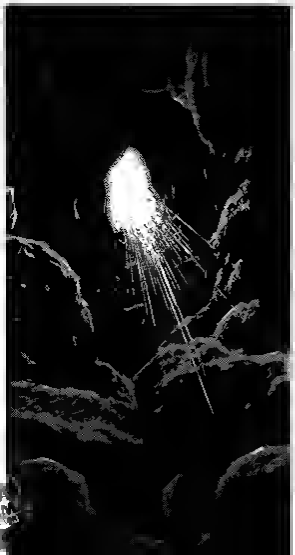
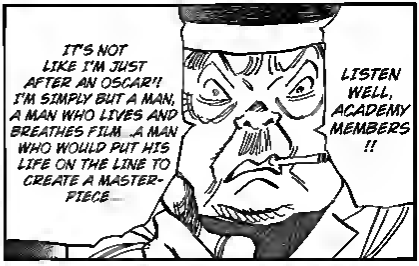

IF WE CAN'T MAKE OUR WAY OUT OF A CAVE LIKE THIS...
THEN I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO FINISH WRITING A COMPLEX AND INTRICATE STORY LIKE BILLY BAT'S CURSE OF THE PHAROAH VOLUME
COME AGAIN ...?
SO THEN.. IS THIS REALLY THE RIGHT WAY?!
HAAH
HAAH
HAAH
HMMM~ THE SMALLEST ONE AGAIN..
THERE'S EVEN WATER ALL POOLED UP IN THIS ONE...
SHUT UP AND FILM!!









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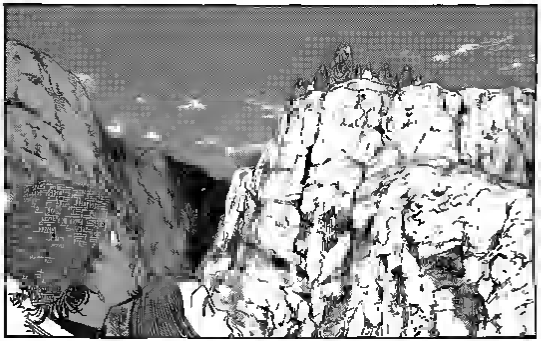
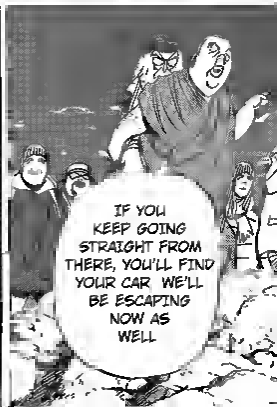
NOT MY SCANS





NOW, MAKE FOR BASQUE!
YES...
ON THE DAY OF THE NEXT SUPER-MOON...
BASQUE...
THE REAL BILLY...
WILL MEET THE REAL BILLY.
YOU...

KEVIN YAMAGATA!! COME WITH ME...!!!
NOW, GO!! I'LL BE BUSY WORKING ON FUJIPON TARO!
I'VE ALREADY MET HIM.
BASQUE 2018—

THAT'S THE CAVE.
YEAH.
DID YOU BRING IT?
I DIDN'T HAVE A PICTURE, SO I SKETCHED THEIR PORTRAITS.
DEVIVIE...
AND SMITH...

LEE HARVEY OSWALD.
I BROUGHT PICTURES OF MY FATHER AND THIS PERSON...
ALL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE WANTED TO COME HERE...
FOR TONIGHT'S SUPERMOON...
A STORY FROM THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO ENDS HERE. IN THIS PLACE, TONIGHT. THE CONCLUSION OF THE FINAL ARC WILL RESTART IN JUNE!!
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